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Report of treatment of passengers' baggage for the week ended June 30, 1900, port of Santiago de Cuba.

Date.	Name of vessel.	Disinfected and passed—						Inspected and passed—				
		Formalin.			Steam.							
		Boxes.	Trunks.	Valises.	Bundles.	Trunks.	Valises.	Baskets.	Boxes.	Bundles.	Trunks.	Valises.
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FRANCE.

Report from Havre.

HAVRE, FRANCE, *June 30, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that on the 23d instant the steamship *La Touraine* sailed from this port with 131 cabin and 205 steerage passengers. On the 30th instant the steamship *La Gascogne* sailed with 119 cabin and 735 steerage passengers. Some 340 steerage passengers intended for the *Touraine* were left over for the *Gascogne*, as they arrived an hour too late for the former vessel. All these passengers were inspected and vaccinated as usual, those left over being inspected twice—on arrival at Havre and before embarking. There were disinfected for these 2 vessels 92 packages of bedding and 5 trunks.

Respectfully,

S. B. GRUBBS,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

GERMANY.

Reports from Bremen.

BREMEN, GERMANY, *June 26, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the past week 1,715 emigrants sailed from this port for America. Of this number there were 2 rejections—1 for trachoma and the other for blindness. One of the recent cases of rejection for fever died in the hospital with a diagnosis of enteric fever.

The last weekly health report for Bremen shows 7 cases of enteric fever, 2 of scarlet fever, and 1 case of diphtheria. The city and vicinity continues free from quarantinable diseases.

JOSEPH B. GREENE,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

BREMEN, GERMANY, *June 30, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that 5 steamers sailed from this port for America during the past week, carrying 1,329 steerage passengers. There were 3 detentions as follows: fever (unknown cause), 1; chicken pox, 1; crippled right leg, 1.

I have urged the Lloyd Steamship Company to supply a better ventilating system for the hospitals of the steamers *Barkum* and *Helgoland*. They assure me it will be attended to on their return voyage from America. The last weekly health report shows 7 cases of enteric fever, 2 of scarlet fever, and 1 case of diphtheria.

Respectfully, JOSEPH B. GREENE,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Inspection of disinfecting station at Ruhleben.

BREMEN, GERMANY, *June 30, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that in accordance with authority granted in Bureau's letter of May 19 (F. L. G., P. M. C., R. M. W.), I inspected the Ruhleben disinfecting station on June 25, 1900. The delay in my going was due to my inability to find a time when my presence was not required at this station.

Ruhleben is near Spandau, one-half hour from Berlin. The station is owned and managed conjointly by the Lloyd Steamship Company, the Hamburg-American Company, the White Star Line, the American Line, and the Holland-American Line. All steerage passengers, except German, are brought to this station and examined by the medical officer in charge. All cases of favus and trachoma are returned. Other diseases, if curable, are sent to the hospital for treatment. The baggage of all Russian emigrants which has been smuggled over the border, and thus avoided the frontier central stations, is disinfected at Ruhleben. Also other baggage, which for any reason is considered infected, even if it has been previously treated at the frontier central stations, is disinfected at this station.

The disinfecting plant, though small, seems to be complete; as the amount of work done there is not large, averaging only from 20 to 30 passengers daily, the facilities are probably ample for the purpose. There are 2 small chambers, so situated in the partition separating 2 rooms, that the infected baggage is placed in one end of the chamber and withdrawn into a clean room after disinfection. The air is first exhausted till the pressure is considerably reduced, and then the steam is turned on and the pressure raised till 105° C. is attained. This is continued for thirty minutes. Then the steam is exhausted and air admitted till the drying is complete. I was informed that the entire process consumes about one hour.

The facilities for treating the emigrants themselves are also good. There are 2 sets of bathing rooms, 1 for men and the other for women. The emigrants are first taken to a dressing room, where all clothing is removed and placed in the disinfecting chamber. Then they are conducted into another room, where a number of shower baths are provided. From there they are taken to another room and provided with sterilized blankets till the clothing is removed from the chamber.

It was through the courtesy of the officials of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company that your representative was permitted to inspect the station at Ruhleben. To Captain Montanus and Captain Arnold I am especially indebted for courtesies.

Respectfully, JOSEPH B. GREENE,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

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